GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1325
ANSWERED ON:07.12.2015
Functioning of Jan Sikshan Sansthan
Shekhawat Shri Gajendra Singh

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the concept, objective and functions of Jan Shikshan Sansthan set up in the country;

(b) the number of Jan Shikshan Sansthans sanctioned along with the number of Jan Shikshan Sansthans functioning across the country, State-wise and the present Status thereof;

(c) whether any new Jan Shikshan Sansthans have been sanctioned/set up since the year 2009;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the funds allocated to the said institutes during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(f) the existing mechanism for the monitoring of such Jan Shikshan Sansthans?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (f) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House .

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1325 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2015 RAISED BY SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING 'FUNCTIONING OF JAN SHIKSHAN SANSTHAN'.

(a): Jan Shikshan Sansthans (JSSs) are established under the Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agencies for Adult Education and Skill Development. They provide vocational skill development training to non-literates, neo-literates, as well as school drop outs by identifying skills as would have a market in the region of their establishment. The mandate of JSSs is to provide skill development and life enrichment education to adults having no or rudimentary levels of education. Priority groups to be covered by JSSs include women, SCs/STs/OBCs, other economically weaker sections and minorities. They are expected to keep in mind local demand and select only such vocational programmes which are relevant to clientele and should lead to enhancement of their income.
(b): The details of JSS sanctioned and functioning in the country, State-wise and their present status are at Annexure-I.

(c)&(d): No, Madam. There is no provision for the sanction of additional JSSs during the 12th Plan period.

(e): Details of funds allocated to JSSs during each of the last three years and the current year are at Annexure-II.

(f): A web-based monitoring system has been developed and is fully functional at <jss.nic.in>. The Annual Action Plan of JSS is submitted and approved online. Region-wise review meetings are regularly held on half-yearly and annual basis. The performance of each JSS is also evaluated once every three years by reputed evaluating agencies empanelled with National Literacy Mission Authority (NLMA). Performance audit of JSS is also conducted by expert agencies from time to time.

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